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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Hon. Deborah Taylor Tate, Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37238

Re:

Workshop to Gather Information from the Telecommunications Industry

Related to Preventing Violations of Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114

Docket No. 03-00502

#### Dear Chairman Tate:

Enclosed are the original and fourteen copies of BellSouth's Response to Inquiries in Director Jones' Notice of Filing dated September 16, 2003 in the referenced matter.

Aery truly yours,

Joelle Phillips

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**INQUIRY:** 

Describe the manner in which you are able to provide telecommunications service in compliance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114(a). If you do not currently take steps to ensure compliance with § 65-21-114(a), explain your reason for not doing so.

RESPONSE: BellSouth Telecommunications Inc. ("BellSouth") complies with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114(a) as described in its approved General Subscriber Services Tariff Section A3.6.2.1, County-Wide Calling (copy attached). In most cases, county-wide calls are dialed on a 7digit basis. In those situations where a county-wide call is dialed as a toll call (i.e., 1+10 digits), BellSouth uses its TAR (Tax Area Record) Code Master File ("Master File") during the billing process to ensure that customers are not billed for these county-wide calls. In the event that a customer disputes a bill for a county-wide call, BellSouth will investigate and adjust the customer's bill once it is confirmed that call was a county-wide call.

> BellSouth modified its Master File for this use when county-wide calling was first ordered by the Tennessee Public Service Commission in the early 1990s. BellSouth worked with the Independent Telephone Companies and Cooperative Telephone Companies to ensure that inter-company "1+" county-wide calls were not billed to the originating caller, and these other companies also use the Master File to ensure proper billing for their customers. Later, the Master File was also offered to Interexchange Carriers (IXC) for their use in billing interLATA intra-county calls. This Master File requires other telephone companies to provide the taxing authority code for their customers in the Master File so that any company can access the database and properly identify county-wide calls during the billing This arrangement works well and continues to be the process used by BellSouth and other companies to properly bill these calls. After passage of the Federal Telecom Act, BellSouth offered the use of its Master File to Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLEC).

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BellSouth requests that participating companies provide updates to their Master File entries by the 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of each month. Once these updates are combined into the Master File, BellSouth will send a copy of the Master File to each company. Therefore, each participating company receives two copies of the Master File each month. At the present time, BellSouth maintains the Master File at no charge. At the present time, BellSouth does not charge any carrier to input data into this database, nor is there any charge for copies of the database for use in a company's billing process.

BellSouth issued Carrier Notification SN1083660 to all facility-based CLECs and Independent Companies on April 4, 2003 to request information necessary to ensure toll-free county wide calling in Tennessee. This Carrier Notification included a link to the County-Wide Calling (CWC) CLEC Pre-Ordering and Ordering Guidelines. Copies of both documents are attached.

**BELLSOUTH** TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

TENNESSEE

ISSUED: September 15, 1998 BY: President - Tennessee Nashville, Tennessee

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#### A3. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### A3.6 Local Calling Areas (Cont'd)

#### A3.6.1 General (Cont'd)

Exchange (LATA) Whitwell (Chattanooga)	Additional Exchanges Apison', Chattanooga (Tennessee subscribers <i>only</i> ), Collegedale', Georgetown, Jasper, Ooltewah', Soddy-Daisy, South Pittsburg	(C) (C)
Williamsport <i>[Nashville]</i>	Columbia, Culleoka, Hampshire, Mount Pleasant, North Spring Hill, Santa Fe, Spring Hill	(C)
Winchester [Nashville]	Estill Springs <sup>1</sup> , Huntland, Sewanee	(C)

#### A3.6.2 Exceptions

#### 1. County-Wide Calling

In addition to the local calling areas as described in A3.6.1, toll free calling on a (1+) or (0+) basis is provided between all local exchange service located within the same county. Toll charges will be eliminated on these calls; however, these calls will be rated and charged as local calls for customers who subscribe to a local usage based pricing option. On operator assisted calls, appropriate local operator service charges will apply. Intracounty toll calls that terminate to a Local Exchange Company that is not participating in County-Wide Calling will be rated at appropriate toll charges found in Section A18. of this Tariff.

This service will be provided to subscribers moving into designated fringe areas within 7 days of the inward move when the exchanges are controlled by South Central Bell - Tennessee. In other locations, a maximum of 30 days will be required to provide this service.

These additional local calling areas are not provided to the following:

- Sent paid Customer-Provided Public Telephone Service
- Outward Wide Area Telecommunications Service (WATS) and 800 Service
- Originating Cellular Service
- Quoted Charges
- Foreign Exchange
- Remote Call Forwarding

Note 1: Independent Company Exchange



#### **BeliSouth Interconnection Services**

675 West Peachtree Street Atlanta, Georgia 30375

### Carrier Notification SN91083660

Date:

April 4, 2003

To:

Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLEC) and Independent Companies (ICO)

Subject:

CLECs and ICOs - Bi-monthly Data File Information Requested for Discount Intra-county

Calling in Louisiana and Free Intra-county Calling in Georgia and Tennessee.

Effective immediately, if you have not already done so, all facility-based Local Exchange Carriers (LECs) should provide BellSouth with bi-monthly file updates containing end user and Taxing Area (TAR) Code information. This is to ensure discounted intra-county calling in Louisiana and free intra-county calling in Georgia and Tennessee. It is the LECs' responsibility to provide BellSouth with TAR code information for all of their customers. BellSouth combines that information with the TAR information of BellSouth customers to create the TAR Code Masterfile.

County Wide Calling is a mandated service in Louisiana, Georgia and Tennessee. In Tennessee and Georgia end users can make "1+" intra-county calls at no charge. The TAR Masterfile permits a LEC to determine whether a call is intra-county and bill the call appropriately.

All facility-based CLECs and ICOs must send to BellSouth, on a bi-monthly basis, a data file containing end user ten digit telephone numbers and associated TAR code information. This will ensure discounted/free intra-county calling for their eligible end users. Upon request, BellSouth will provide the TAR Masterfile, at no charge, to any CLEC, ICO, Interexchange Carrier (IXC) or billing vendor.

The pre-ordering and ordering guidelines for County Wide Calling can be found at the BellSouth Interconnection Services' Web site located at:

http://www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/guides/html/billing.html

Please contact your Local Support Manager with any questions.

Sincerely,

#### **ORIGINAL SIGNED BY JERRY HENDRIX**

Jerry Hendrix – Assistant Vice President BellSouth Interconnection Services

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# County Wide Calling (CWC) CLEC Pre-Ordering and Ordering Guidelines (GA, LA, and TN only)

(Version 1, March 18, 2003)



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## County Wide Calling (CWC) CLEC Pre-Ordering and Ordering Guidelines (GA, LA, and TN Only)

Chapter 1.0: Introduction

#### 1.1 Purpose and Scope

This Pre-Ordering and Ordering Guide is intended to provide the D/CLEC (Data/Competitive Local Exchange Carrier) a description and general information specific to processing a request for service that entails the need for providing specific TAR (Taxing Area) information. These guidelines are state specific, only applying to the states of Georgia (GA), Louisiana (LA), and Tennessee (TN). This document is an original version release.

For the remainder of this document, County Wide Calling will be referred to as CWC. A detailed description of this requirement will be provided in **Chapter 3.0**, **Overview**, of this document. Contact your local Account Team representative if you have questions about the information contained herein.

#### 1.2 Disclaimer Statement

The information contained in this document is subject to change. BellSouth will provide notification of changes through the Carrier Notification Process.

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**Chapter 1.0: Introduction** 

#### 1.3 Version History/Control

Any future modifications, enhancements, and/or improvements that are made to this Pre-Ordering and Ordering Guide for CWC will be reflected accordingly in this section of the document.

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## County Wide Calling (CWC) CLEC Pre-Ordering and Ordering Guidelines (GA, LA, and TN Only)

Chapter 2.0: Overview

Within the states of Georgia, Louisiana, and Tennessee, County Wide Calling is a mandated service. Basically in the states of Georgia and Tennessee, CWC provides intra-county calling at **no** charge. In Louisiana, this service provides parish wide calling at a discounted expanded local calling service rate but is limited to only **certain** parishes. To determine the specific parishes within Louisiana where CWC is applicable, refer to the General Subscriber Services Tariff (GSST), Section A3.32.4.

The vehicle utilized to determine if a particular call is intra-county or intra-parish (LA) is the TAR (Taxing Area Rate) Code Masterfile. The TAR Code Master File will be discussed in detail in Chapter 5.0 of this document.



### Chapter 3.0: General Guidelines

In order for CWC to be administered appropriately, the following general guidelines are in place:

- NPA/NXX Codes are routinely administered in such a way that end users in multiple counties can be assigned telephone numbers in the same NPA/NXX.
   This makes it impossible to use the originating and terminating NPA/NXX Codes as the sole determinant of whether calls fall within county boundaries.
- The LECs (Local Exchange Carriers) have assigned a county TAR code to each county. By creating a unique file that attaches the TAR Code to every individual ten-digit end user number, LECs can determine if a call is toll-free (GA and TN)/ or will be billed at a discounted expanded local calling service rate in LA. Regardless of the NPA/NXX, if the TAR Codes match, the calls are intra-county free calls in GA and TN or billed at a discounted expanded local calling service rate in LA.
- In GA and TN, all LECs providing local service use the same TAR Code designation.



#### Chapter 4.0: Tar Codes

TAR Codes are determined by physical location (county/parish) where the number resides. The values are 700 – 999. The entire file will be rejected if the err threshold is 10% or greater.

The file should be formatted as EBCDIC (Extended Binary Coded Decimal Inter-exchange Code) including the space filled bytes.

The following TAR NPA/NXX entries are invalid:

- Any Wireless (Cellular, Paging, etc.)
- Toll-Free numbers (800, 888, etc.)
- Wide Area Telecommunications Service (WATS) Outward
- 900 NPA
- 700 NPA
- Remote Call Forwarding
- Foreign Exchange
- Sent paid Customer-Provided Public Telephone Service
- Quoted Charges



Chapter 5.0: TAR Code Master File

In order to insure free or reduced intra-county/parish calling for eligible users, all CLECs and ICOs (Independent Company) must submit on a *bi-monthly* basis to BellSouth the end user(s) 10-digit telephone number and TAR Code for inclusion in a statewide file. Tapes furnished by the 10<sup>th</sup> should include data through the 6<sup>th</sup>. Tapes furnished by the 24<sup>th</sup> should include data through the 20<sup>th</sup>. This information may be submitted via cartridge tape or electronically. When the information is received, BellSouth will combine the data with the TAR information of BellSouth customers to create the TAR Master File. Once the data is combined, BellSouth will send the files to the CLECs, ICOs, and Interexchange Carriers twice monthly. Anyone processing intra-county/parish calls can receive the TAR Master File free of charge from BellSouth.

The data contained in each record of the TAR Master File includes the following:

- NPA (Numbering Plan Area)
- NXX (Numbering Exchange)
- Low Line (See Section 5.1)
- High Line (See Section 5.1)
- County TAR
- OCN (Operating Company Number) of the company owing the telephone number(s) on the record
- Effective Date of the telephone number-TAR combination
- End Date

NOTE: The information above is sent in the same sequence as listed.

Each record must be spaced filled through byte 45. An example of a typical record layout is shown below:

423 555 1000 1050 789 1234 19850402 99999999

In the example above, the range of numbers (423 555 1000 1050) have the same County TAR (789) and belong to the same company (1234).



Chapter 5.0: TAR Code Master File

As the creator of the TAR Master File, BellSouth needs to do as much as possible to protect the integrity of the data. For this reason, BellSouth performs various edits on the incoming TAR files submitted by other companies to insure the data is valid. Some of these edits include the following.

<u>OCN Verification</u> - For illustration purposes, suppose the following record is contained on the TAR file submitted by an ICO:

423 555 2000 2000 756 1234 19990605 99999999

As the system adds the ICO data from Company "A" to the TAR Master File, a check is done to insure the NPA/NXX really belongs to the ICO. The OCN of the incoming record (1322) is compared to the OCN of that NPA/NXX (423 555) on the Terminating Point Master File (TPM). \* If the OCN on the TPM matches the OCN on the TAR record, the data is added. If not, the information is rejected. This edit prevents companies from submitting information for telephone numbers that do not belong to them. This edit predates Local Number Portability (LNP). LNP modifications to the TAR Master File are discussed in detail in Section 5.2 of this document.

<u>Effective Date</u> – This edit prevents any incoming records with an effective date year more than one year *prior* to the current year from being added to the TAR Master File.

**NXX Type** — Since a wireless number cannot be tied to a particular county/parish, wireless NPA/NXXs are **not** eligible for CWC. In addition, Remote Call Forwarding line numbers are also invalid. An NXX type check is done on the TPM to insure the incoming NXX is a Plain Old Telephone Service (POTS) NXX.

<sup>\*</sup> BellSouth's TPM is created from the national Telcordia (formerly BellCore) TPM.



#### Chapter 5.0: TAR Code Master File

BellSouth will test with each CLEC to confirm error-free receipt of data as well as successful distribution to the CLECs. The BellSouth Account Teams will provide documentation of physical file characteristics, record layout for the data, and a list of the county TAR codes. Following the test period, each CLEC should participate regularly in the update process.

Each LEC must provide all their customer records with each CWC data file submission or data previously provided will be lost. A complete refresh by OCN is done when each file is processed.

Despite the data edits completed by BellSouth, it is possible for some bad data to get through the edits. When this occurs, BellSouth contacts the originating company of the data and the situation is resolved.

#### 5.1 Low Line/High Line

The Low Line and High Line fields are utilized to group consecutive telephone numbers that have the same information. The Low Line represents the lowest number and the High Line the highest number. Grouping like telephone numbers is called scoping. If the TAR or OCN differs between telephone numbers or the numbers are not consecutive, scoping *cannot* be used.

The following guidelines apply to the scoping of numbers:

- If all line numbers within a scope have the same county TAR, then a single record can be prepared with the starting line number and the ending line number in the scope placed in record positions 7 10 and 11 14 respectively.
- All records using scoping must have zeros ('00000000') in the 'START DATE' fields and nines ('99999999') in the END DATE fields.
- Records where actual dates must be shown cannot be scoped. This applies in cases where a telephone number has been disconnected and/or reassigned in such a manner that the TAR Code changes.
- The actual 'START DATE' value must be populated if there is a TAR Code change for a line number. (YYYYMMDD).
- The actual 'END DATE' value must be populated if there is a disconnect or TAR Code change for a line number. (YYYYMMDD).



#### Chapter 5.0: TAR Code Master File

On scoped numbers, the effective date appears as all zeros since the numbers in the scope will have different effective dates. If the Low Line and High Line numbers are the same, the information only applies to that one number. The date fields are only populated if there has been recent activity. That recent activity includes both disconnects and connects.

#### 5.2 Local Number Portability

The OCN check to the TPM does not hold true in the LNP environment, as it exists today. For example, LNP allows a customer to leave one telephone company, take their number with them, and receive local service from another provider.

#### For example:

- Jane Doe (TN 423 555-4567) leaves BellSouth and ports to Company B (OCN 7890). As a result of this Jane shows up as disconnected in BellSouth's records and appears as a "live" customer at Company B.
- In order for her to correctly receive free intra-county calls (GA and TN) or billed at a discounted expanded local calling service rate in LA, Company B is responsible for submitting her TAR information where it can be added to the TAR Master File.
- When BellSouth processes Company Bs incoming TAR file, Jane Doe's ported number will fail the OCN check because the OCN on the incoming record is 7890 and the OCN on the TPM for 423-555 is 9419 (South Central Bell). Because the OCNs do not match, the record will be rejected as "Invalid OCN" and will not be added to the Master File. Since Jane is a genuine customer of Company B and should be added to the TAR Master File.

As a result of LNP, Jane Doe's number, as well as other ported numbers, is incorrectly being omitted from the TAR Master File. This requires a change to the TAR Master File creation process.

A national database exists that contains information on *all* ported numbers. Neustar administers the LNP database, Number Portability Administration Center (NPAC) Service Management System (SMS). The company losing the customer and the company gaining the customer are required to send to NPAC specific pieces of data. Included in this data is an activation (effective) date to be submitted by the company gaining the customer.



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The following information is contained in the NPAC database:

Ported Number

LRN (Local Routing Number) - Telephone number that the ported number should route like

Port Effective Date

OCN of the company that now owns the ported number

BellSouth receives daily updates from NPAC and creates an internal file, the Log File. The Log File contains the *same* information as NPAC. The only difference is that it is used internally. To retain the OCN edit, but to accommodate ported numbers, it was decided to alter the TAR Master File creation process to access the Log File if the OCN check against the TPM fails.

As a result, if the OCN check fails, the program will confirm ownership by checking the Log File to determine if the number ported and the OCN on the Log File matches the OCN on the TAR record.



**Chapter 6.0: TAR Code File** 

#### 6.1 Input From Local Service Providers

The TAR Code File consists of specific input from the Local Service Providers. It is an individual Company specific file and is referred to as the Record Layout for CWC Data File.

See Chapter 4.0 of this document for information applicable to formatting TAR Codes.

The table below provides a page number reference for the Tape/Data File Specifications and the TAR Code Record Specifications needed for inputting this data. Copies of these specifications are on the following pages.

Data File Specifications	Page Number
Tape Specifications	
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Header Record	<b>15.</b> 4. 4. 4. 4. 4. 4. 4. 4. 4. 4. 4. 4. 4.
Data Record	16
Trailer Record	and the second of the second o

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**Chapter 6.0: TAR Code File** 

The following specifications are applicable for the tapes utilized for transmission of the TAR Code Data File to BellSouth.

- IBM Standard Label Tapes
- 18 Cartridge (3480 tape)
- 1600 BPI
- Blocksize 4050
- Record Length 45 Characters
- Fixed Blocked Format
- Dataset Name

MF05P.XFA03.I????

where ???? is the Company Code for the sending company (OCN) OCN must match

OCN as listed in the TPM file

NOTE: DATASET NAME FOR LOUISIANA IS MF05.XFA03.1????

Dataset Name should be included on both internal and external labels.

Files may also be transmitted electronically using CONNECT: Direct or Secure File Transfer Protocol (FTP). Dataset naming conventions above do **not** apply to electronically transmitted files. Dataset names will be provided on a company specific basis during the test process.

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#### **HEADER-RECORD**

Record Position	Field Name	Data
1 – 3	RECORD TYPE	Value '000'
4 – 17	HEADER MARK	Zero Fill
18 – 21	COMPANY CODE	OCN
22 – 27	HEADER DATE	Date Created (YYMMDD)
28 – 45	FILLER	Space Fill



Chapter 6.0: TAR Code File

#### DATA - RECORD

Record Position	Field Name	Data
1-3	NPA	Area Code *
4 – 6	NXX	Central Office
7 – 10	LINE NUMBER	Start of Scope (See Note 1)
11 – 14	END LINE	End of Scope (See Note 1)
15 – 17	TAR CODE	Taxing Area Code (Values 700 - 999)
18 – 21	COMPANY CODE	OCN
22 – 29	START DATES	YYYYMMDD
30-37	END DATES	YYYYMMDD
38-45	FILLER	SPACE FILL

NOTE 1: If all line numbers within a scope have the same county TAR, then a single record can be prepared with the starting line number and the ending line number in the scope placed in record positions 7 - 10 and 11 - 14 respectively.

All records using scoping must have zeros ('00000000') in the 'START - DATE' fields and nines ('99999999') in the END DATE fields.

**NOTE 2:** Records where actual dates must be shown *cannot* be scoped. This applies in cases where a telephone number has been disconnected and/or reassigned in such a manner that the TAR Code changes.

The actual 'START – DATE' value must be populated if there is a TAR Code change for a line number. (YYYYMMDD).

The actual 'END – DATE' value must be populated if there is a disconnect or TAR Code change for a line number. (YYYYMMDD).

<sup>\*</sup> See Chapter 4.0 for exclusions.

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#### TRAILER - RECORD

Record Position	Field Name	<u>Data</u>
1 – 3	RECORD TYPE	Value '999'
4 – 17	TRAILER MARK	Value all 9's
18 – 21	COMPANY CODE	OCN
22 – 30	RECORD COUNT	Actual Numeric Count of Data Records
31 – 45	FILLER	Space Fill



Chapter 6.0: TAR Code File

#### 6.2 Output From BellSouth

The table below provides a page number reference for the Tape File Specifications and different TAR Code Data distributed by BellSouth as a response to the input data files (Section 6.1) provided from all the LECs. The complete statewide file is distributed to all Local Service Providers and is referred to as the Record Layout for CWC Data File.

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#### TAPE SPECIFICATIONS

#### **IBM Standard Label Tapes**

18 Track Cartridges

1600 BPI

Blocksize 22365

**Record Length 45 Characters** 

**Fixed Blocked Format** 

**Dataset Name** 

MF05P.OFA07.TARM

(Note that first character of second node is alpha 'O'.)

Dataset Name Exception MF05P.OFA07.TARM.GA

(Note that the last node represents the state that the TAR data is for. It is necessary when a customer has TAR data in more than one state.

Ex: MCI gets GA & TN.)

Dataset Name will be included on both internal and external labels.

Files may also be retrieved electronically using CONNECT: Direct or Secure File Transfer Protocol (FTP). Dataset naming conventions above do not apply to electronically transmitted files. Dataset names will be provided on a company specific basis during the test process.

BellSouth distributes tapes by the 5<sup>th</sup> workday following the 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> calendar dates.



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#### **HEADER - RECORD**

Record Position	Field Name	Data
1-3	RECORD TYPE	Value '000'
4 – 17	HEADER MARK	Zero Fill
18 – 21	COMPANY CODE	OCN
22 – 27	HEADER DATE	Date Created (YYMMDD)
28 – 45	FILLER	Space Fill



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#### DATA - RECORD

Record Position	Field Name	Data
1 – 3	NPA	Area Code *
4-6	NXX	Central Office
7 – 10	LINE NUMBER	Start of Scope
11 – 14	END LINE	End of Scope (See Note 1)
15 – 17	TAR CODE	Taxing Area Code Values 700 – 999
18 – 21	COMPANY CODE	OCN
22 – 29	START DATE YY	YYYMMDD
	NOTE: SEE NOTES 1 &	2 FOR SCOPED ENTRIES
30 - 37	END DATE Y	YYYMMDD
	NOTE: SEE NOTES 1 &	2 FOR SCOPED ENTRIES
38 – 45	FILLER S	pace Fill

<sup>\*</sup> See Chapter 4.0 for exclusions.

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#### TRAILER - RECORD

Record Position	Field Name	<u>Data</u>
1 – 3	RECORD TYPE	Value '999'
4 – 17	TRAILER MARK	Value ali 9's
18 – 21	COMPANY CODE	OCN
22 – 30	RECORD COUNT	Actual Numeric count of Data Records (SEE NOTE 1)
31 – 45	FILLER	Space Fill

NOTE 1:

Zero fill record count starting in position 22.

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#### Chapter 7.0: Acronyms

CWC

**County Wide Calling** 

D/CLEC

Data/Competitive Local Exchange Carrier

**EBCDIC** 

Extended Binary Coded Decimal Inter-exchange Code

FTP

File Transfer Protocol

GΑ

Georgia

**GSST** 

General Subscriber Services Tariff

ICO

Independent Company

LA

Louisiana

LEC

Local Exchange Carrier

LNP

Local Number Portability

**LRN** 

Local Routing Number

LSM

Local Support Manager

NPA

Numbering Plan Area

**NPAC** 

Number Portability Administration Center

NXX

Numbering Exchange

OCN

Operating Company Number

**POTS** 

Plain Old Telephone Service

SMS

Service Management System

TAR

Taxing Area Rate

TN

Tennessee

TPM

Terminating Point Master File

WATS

Wide Area Telecommunications Service

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**INQUIRY:** 

Identify any technical, operational, administrative or other difficulties encountered when attempting to comply with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114(a).

RESPONSE: BellSouth's ability to comply with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114(a) requires that county-wide calls that are dialed on a "1+" basis can be properly identified, based on information for both the originating and terminating parties in the Master File. When the terminating party is served by another service provider (Independent Company, CLEC, Cooperative, etc.), that service provider must provide the necessary Lack of this information leaves information for its customers. BellSouth with no basis on which to properly identify and bill these calls.

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INQUIRY: Provide a suggestion for how this workshop should proceed.

RESPONSE: BellSouth recommends that the Hearing Officer review the responses of all facility-based carriers to this Notice of Filing to determine if any significant issues exist that would warrant further activity.